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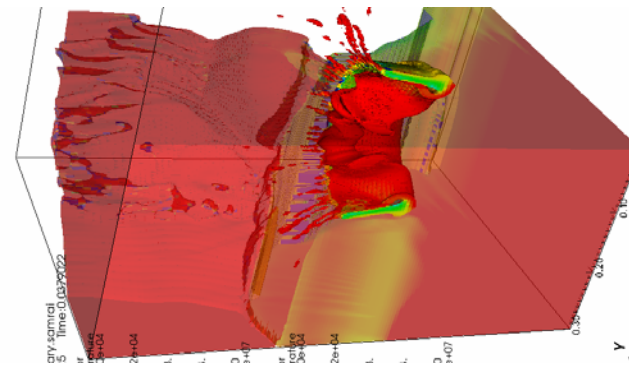
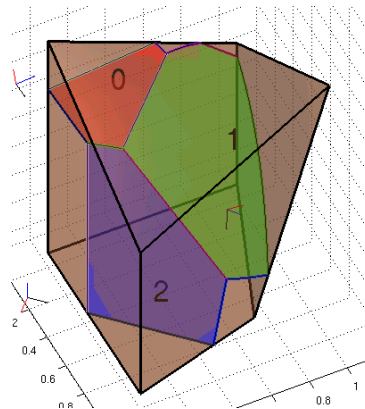


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# Basic steps of NIF ALE-AMR

Initial Configuration

Lagrange Deformation

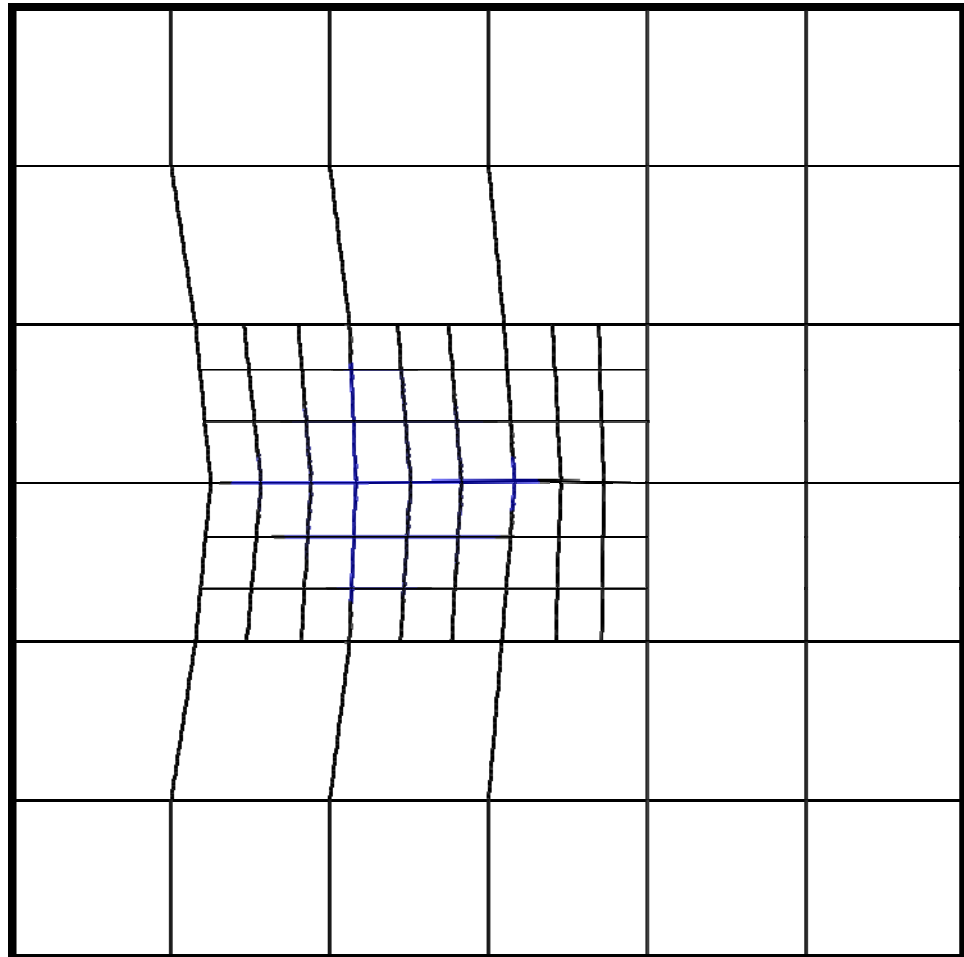
Mesh Relaxation

Advection

Remapped

Reconstruction

Coarsening/Refinement

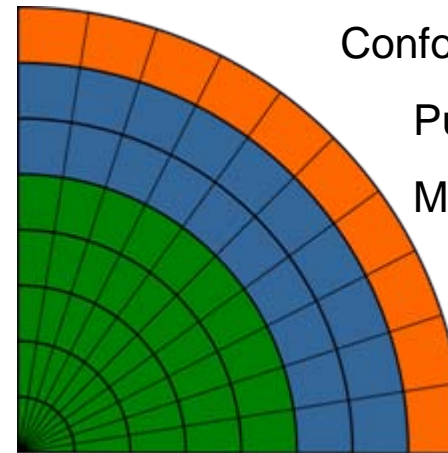


# NIF ALE-AMR represents material interfaces with a Volume of Fluid method

Volume of Fluid (VoF) uses volume fractions to reconstruct material interfaces when necessary

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## Alternative Methods



Conformal Mesh

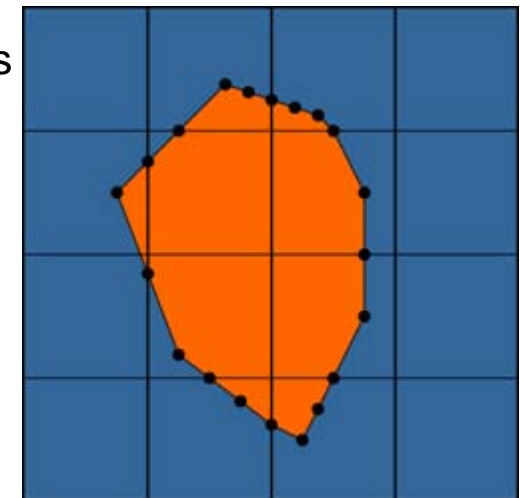
Pure Lagrangian

Mesh Entanglement

## Tracking Particles

How many?

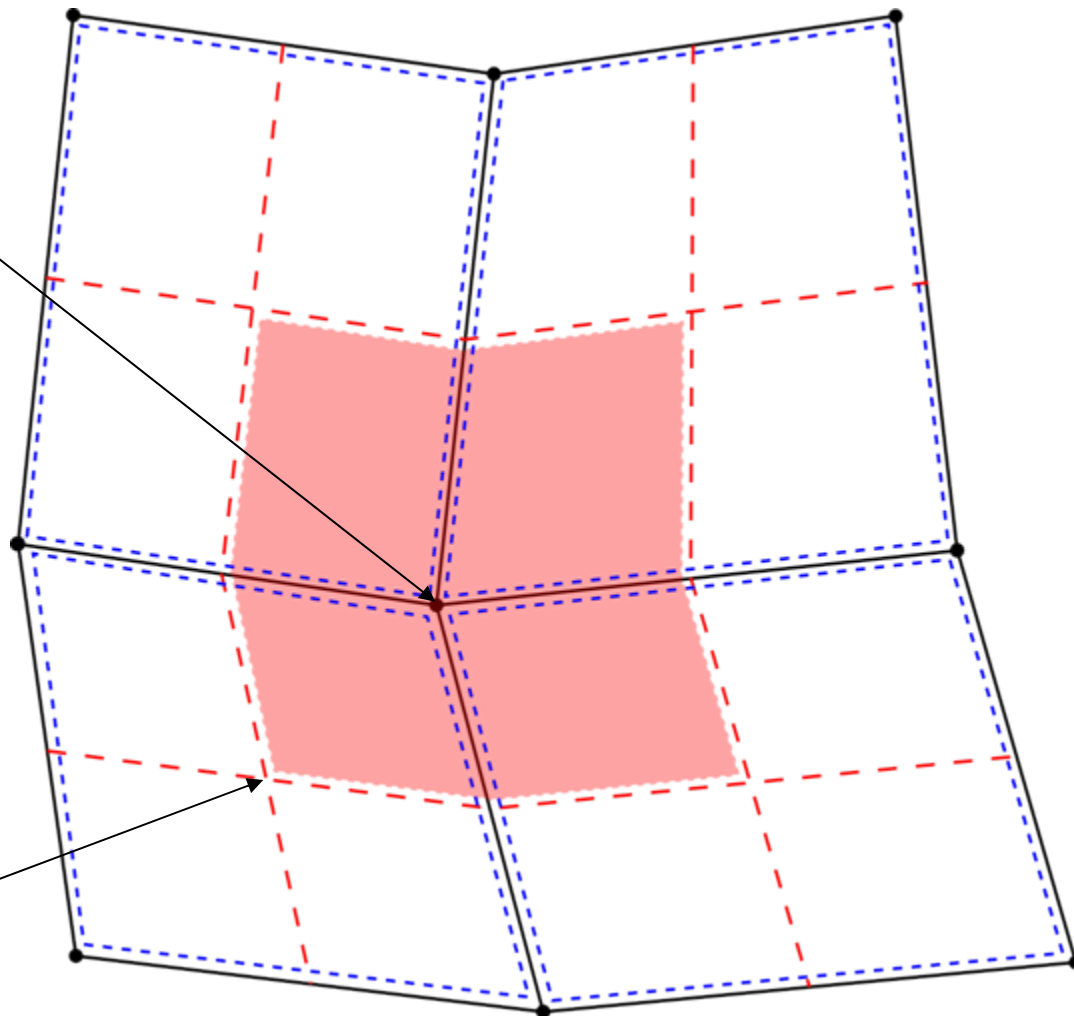
And where?



# Staggered Mesh for Node- and Cell-centered quantities— cell centered quantities can be mixed

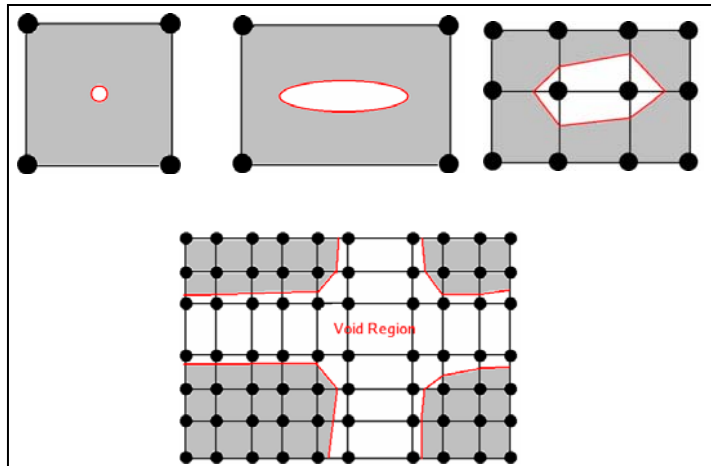
Node Centered:  
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Velocity

Cell Centered:  
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Internal Energy  
Deviatoric Stress  
Plastic Strain  
History Variables  
Material  
Volume Fractions

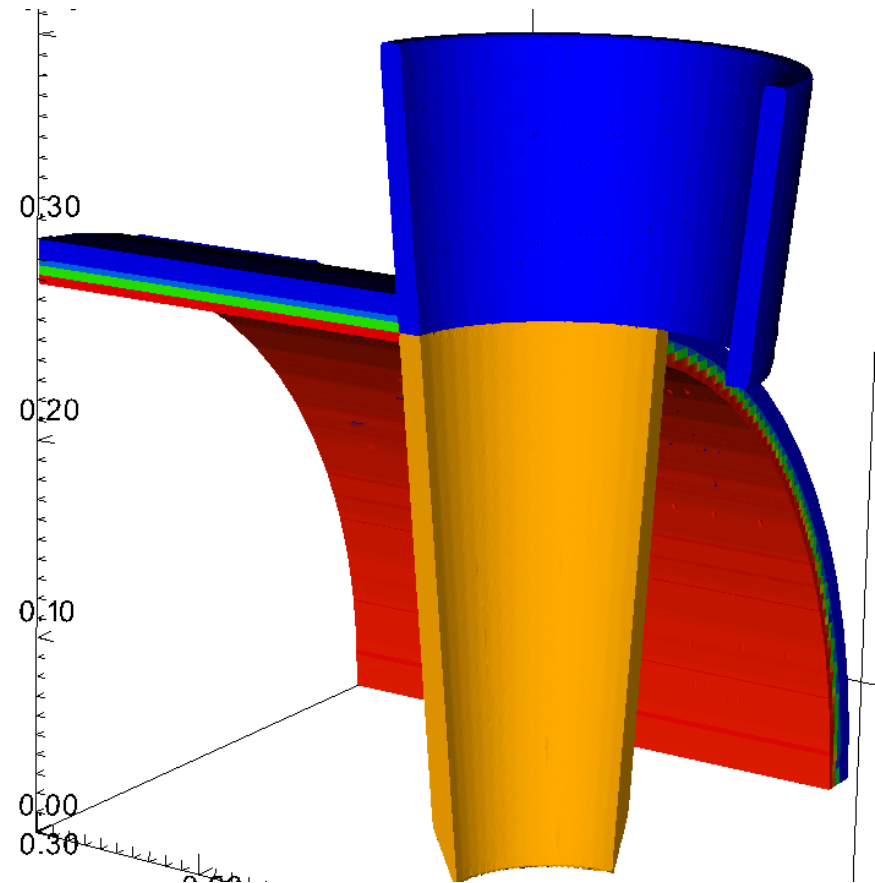


# Most of the steps of NIF ALE-AMR are affected by Interface Reconstruction

- Volume Fractions (VF) may set at startup by Shaping
- VF are modified during Lagrange Steps
  - Partitioning of strain
  - Insertion of void at fracture
- Advected during remapping
- Coarsened or Refined (AMR)



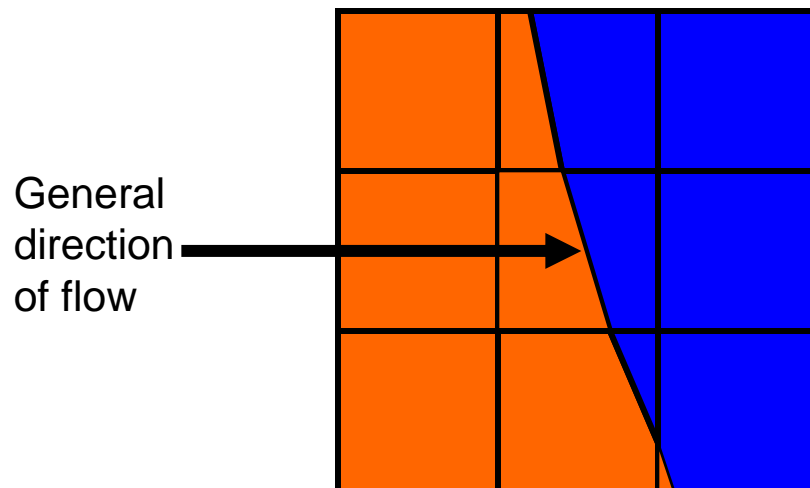
Fragmentation model depends on Interface Reconstruction for void formation, growth, coalescence and fracture



Shaping feature allows for meshing of complex structures without conforming to mesh boundaries.

# Advection scheme avoids explicit reconstruction of the interface

- In mixed material elements, interfaces between material components usually are not explicitly tracked
  - Only volume fractions are known
- How to determine material to transfer through volume fluxes?
- Estimate layout of materials in a zone by looking at volume fractions of materials in surrounding zones and direction of flux at each face



What's really happening

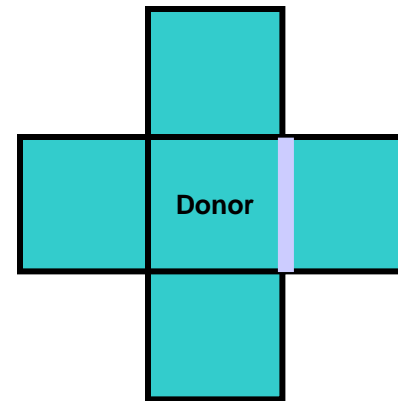
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What the code sees

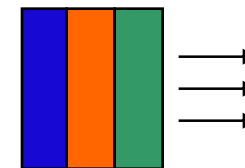


# Algorithm determines the ordering and slopes of material interfaces during the advection step

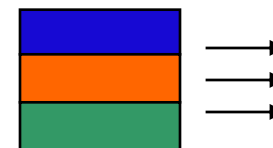
- CALE93 (Tipton) algorithm is one way to determine which materials will advect through a given volume flux
- A normalized slope is calculated at each face for each material in the upwind (donor) element.
- *Series* flow: Materials are moved in order in which they are stacked up relative to the face
- *Parallel* Flow: The components are moved simultaneously.
- *Corner* Flow: Treated as series flow until a critical volume fraction is achieved, at which point it becomes parallel flow.
- In the case where materials are advected simultaneously in all dimensions, care must be taken not to overdeplete the material in a zone
  - Three passes (leading/parallel ; middle ; trailing)
  - After each pass, material flux volumes must be rescaled



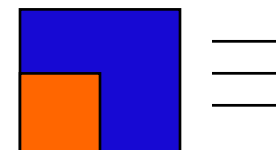
Slope at faces calculated from volume fractions in donor and its neighbors



Series



Parallel



Corner

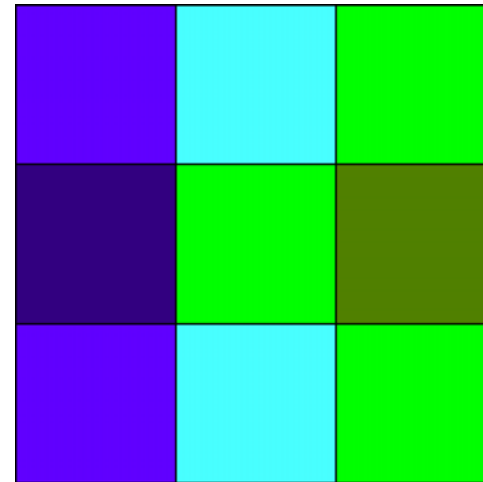
# But sometimes things (Advection) just don't work out the way you would like...so you fix them (Repair)

- In clean cells, the slopes at the faces are used to determine the advected quantities (density, internal energy, etc.)
- There is no general basis for such a slope in mixed zones so the the component materials of a mixed zone are assumed to have uniform properties.
- Roundoff Error in the Cleanout of Cells:
  - Large differences in material density
  - Small total mass and round off in the balance of momentum and momentum flux (or energy and energy flux) may result in large spurious velocities or energy

$$U^{(n+1)} = \frac{1}{m^{(n+1)}} \left( (mU)^{(n)} + \sum_{i=1} \phi_i \right)$$

$$e^{(n+1)} = \frac{1}{m^{(n+1)}} \left( (me)^{(n)} + \sum_{i=1} \phi_i \right)$$

- Solution: Repair this by borrowing quantities from neighboring zones in a conservative manner



Repaired state

- Repaired zones were effectively “broken,” so the error introduced by Repair is worth being able to continue the simulation
- Floors and Ceilings are also used when necessary

**Shashkov and Wendroff, JCP, 198, 2004**

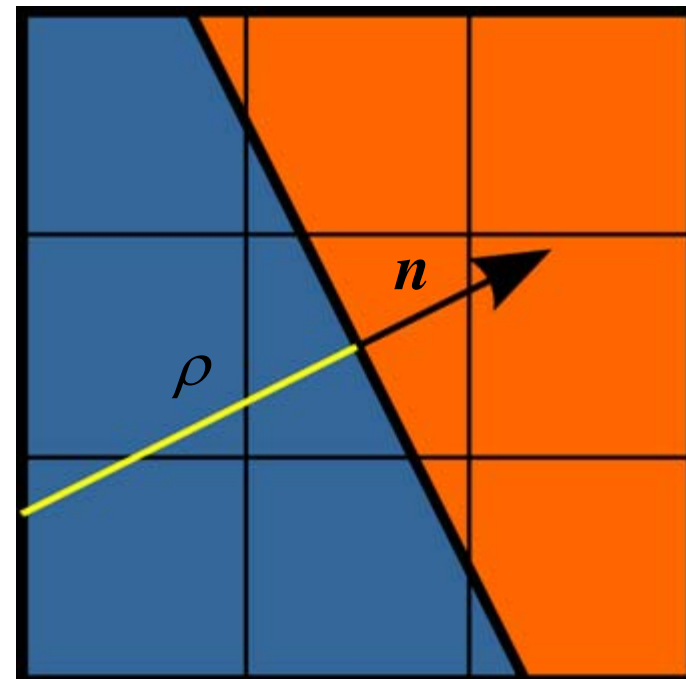
# AMR: Coarsening is easy, Refinement requires explicit interface reconstruction

- Sum of volume fractions

$$V_f^c = \sum_i V_{f,i}^f V_i^f / \sum_i V_i^f$$



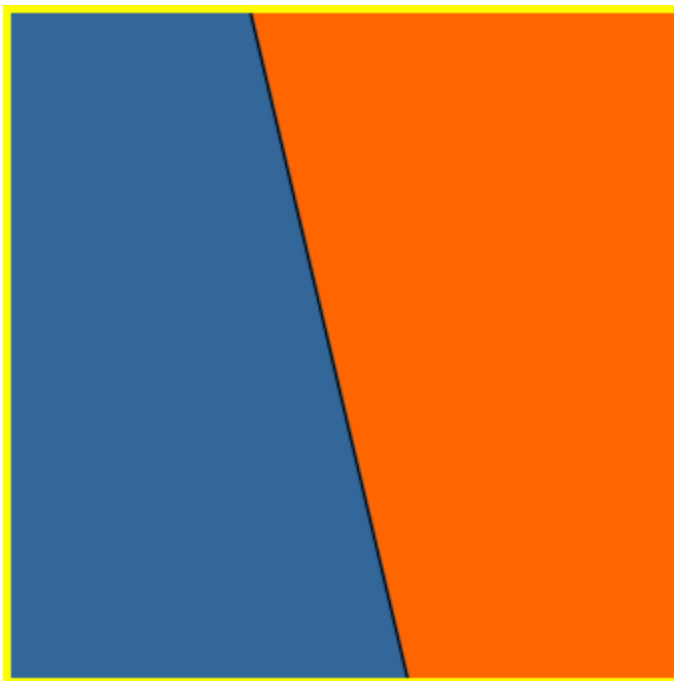
- Orientation ( $\mathbf{n}$ ) uses  $V_f$ 's of neighboring cells
- Solve for location ( $\rho$ ) of interface
- Assign refined  $V_f$ 's




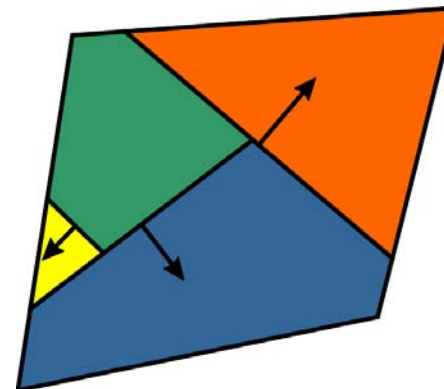
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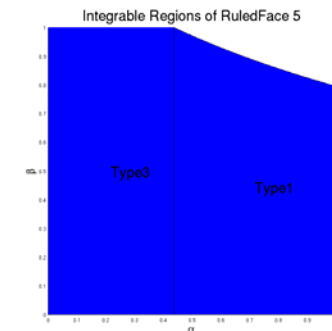
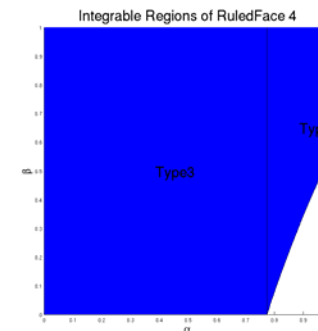
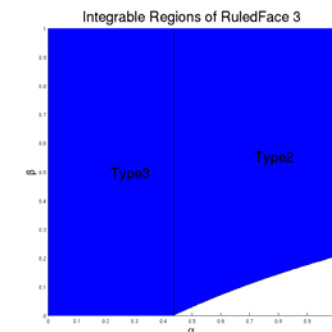
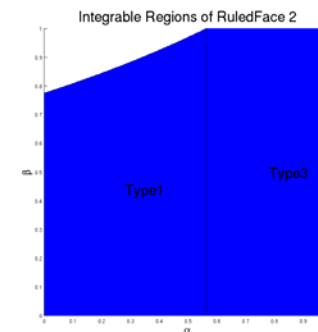
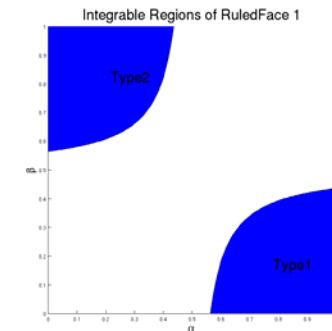
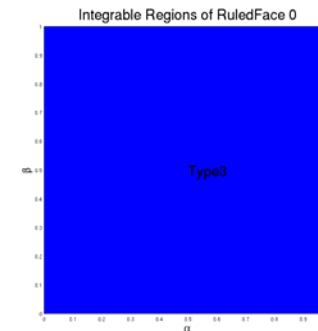
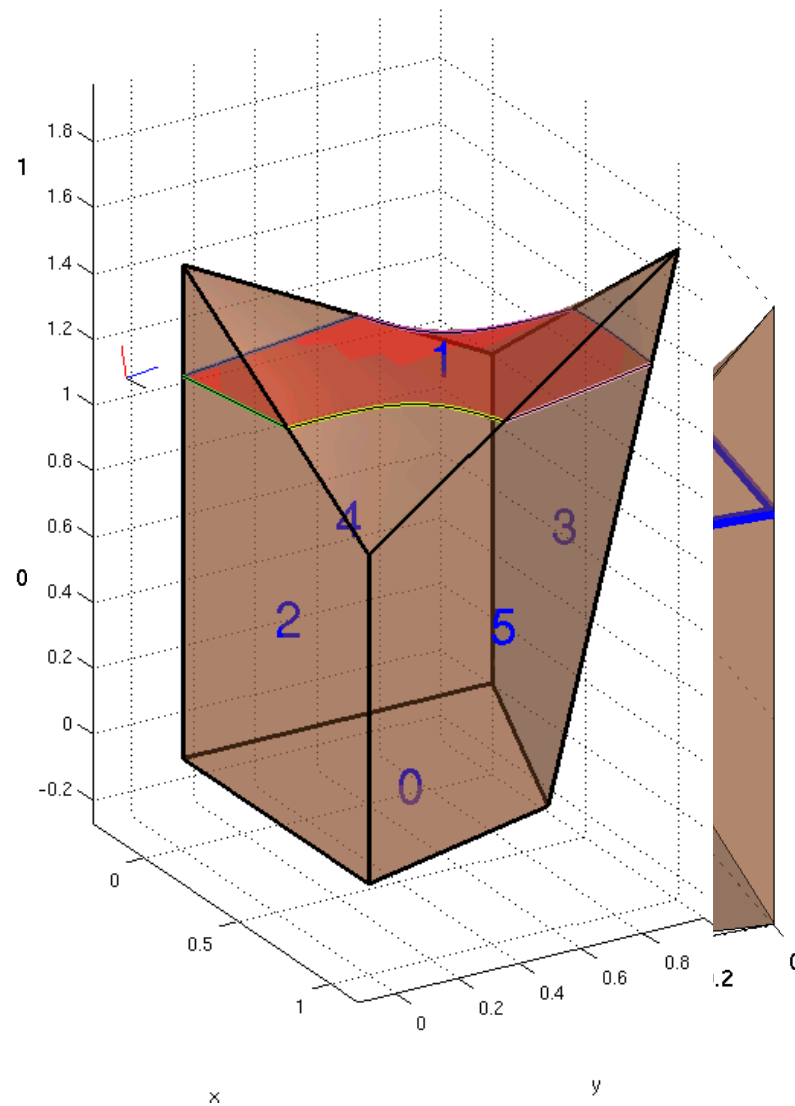


- Orientation ( $\mathbf{n}$ ) uses  $V_f$ 's of neighboring cells
- Solve for location ( $\rho$ ) of interface
- Assign refined  $V_f$ 's
- 1D: 
- 2D: Polygons



- 3D: Truncated Hexahedra, bounded by doubly-ruled surfaces (DRS, or hyperbolic-paraboloids)

Intersections with DRS are hyperbolic in the intersecting plane and in the parametric space of the DRS (but may degenerate to parabolas, lines, or points)



# Volume contributions of truncated Doubly-Ruled Surfaces to the partial volume may be broken down in terms of integrable regions on the DRS

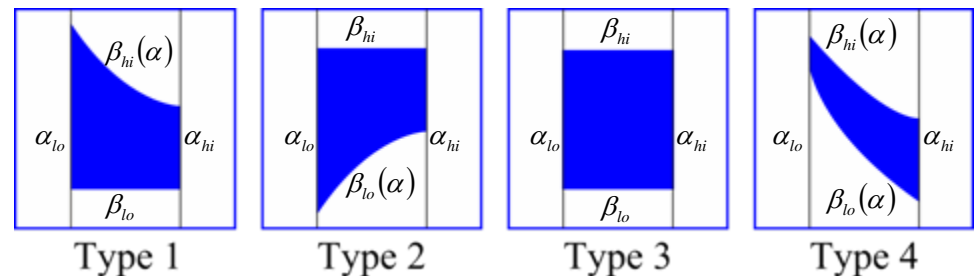
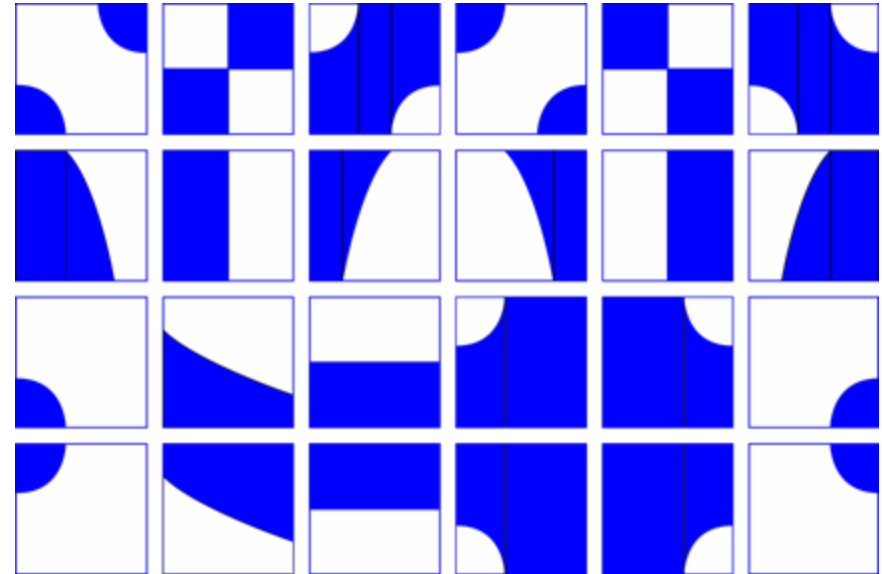
- Volume of Truncated Zone (for a single planar interface)

$$V_{tr} = \frac{1}{3} \left[ \sum_{f=1}^6 \int_{tr} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{n}\rho) \cdot d\mathbf{S}_f(\mathbf{x}) + \int_{tr} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{n}\rho) \cdot d\mathbf{S}_p(\mathbf{x}) \right]$$

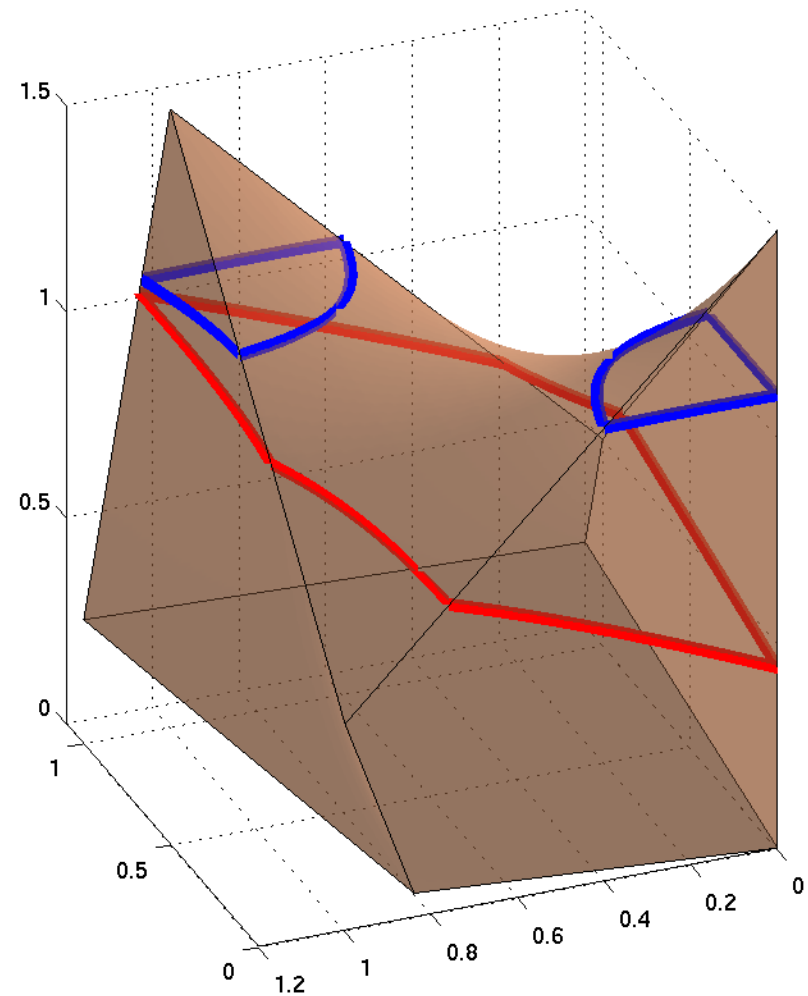
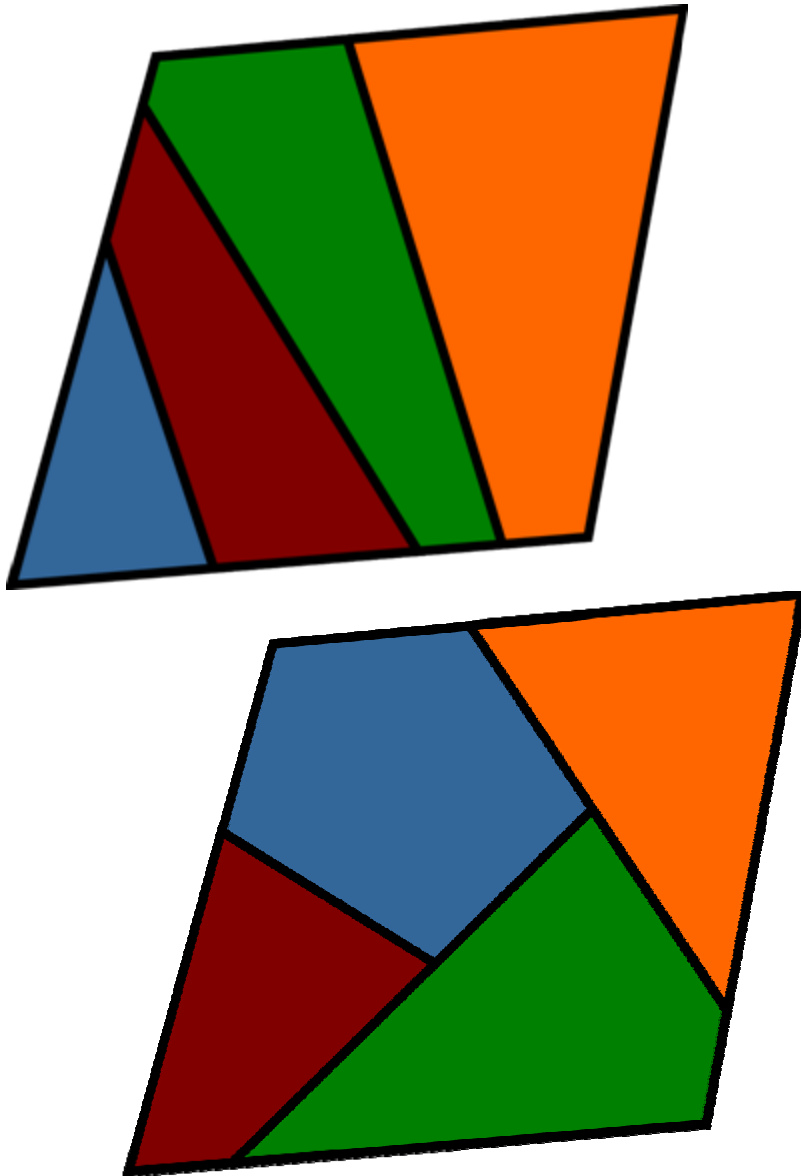
$$V_{tr} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{f=1}^6 \{ (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{n}\rho) \cdot [\mathbf{X}_1 K_{00} + (\mathbf{X}_3 - \mathbf{X}_4) K_{10} + (\mathbf{X}_4 - \mathbf{X}_1) K_{01}] - v_{tet} K_{11} \}$$

$$K_{nm} = \int_{\alpha_{lo}}^{\alpha_{hi}} \int_{\beta_{lo}(\alpha)}^{\beta_{hi}(\alpha)} \alpha^n \beta^m d\beta d\alpha$$

- 24 Classes of Intersections
- 4 Types of Integrable Regions
- All integrals in terms of logarithms and arithmetic operations
- $K_{nm}$  terms remain constant

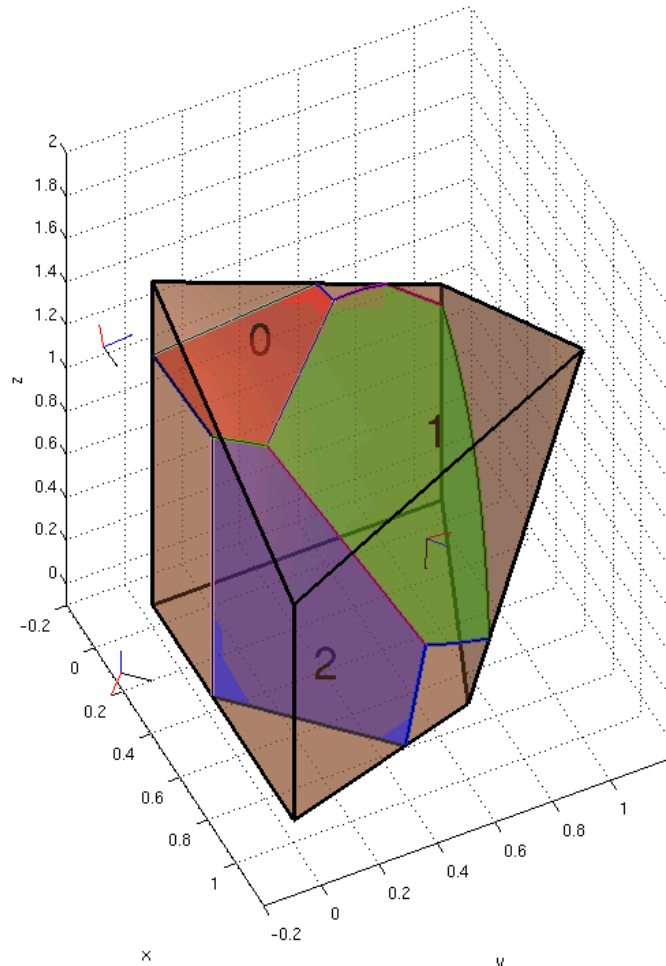


# Multiple interfaces (materials) may result in onionskin and non-onionskin topologies

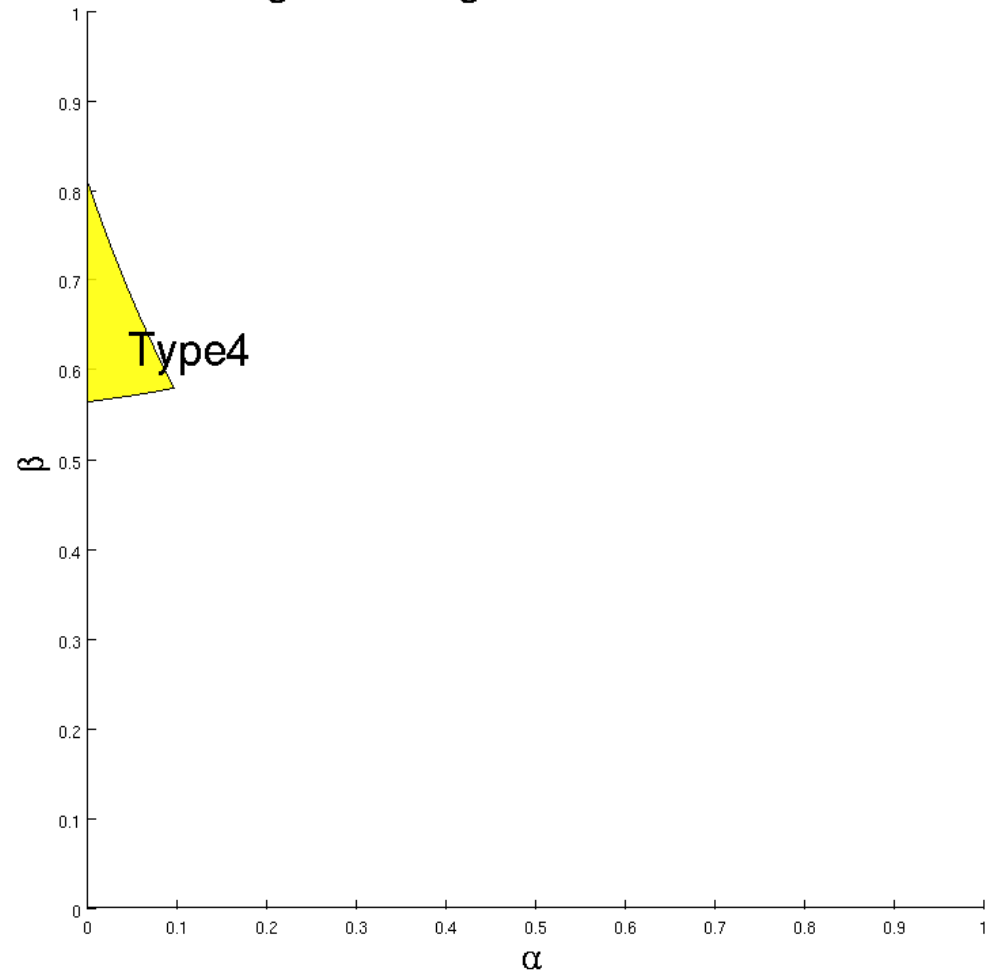


# In 3D Non-onion skin topologies are treated by finding intersections of integrable regions...

Current volume 0.653111



Integrable Regions of RuledFace 1



Similar to Vatti's polygon clipping algorithm (Vatti, *Comm. of ACM*, 1992)



# Previous truncating planes may also contribute to the partial volume

- Truncated volume equation

$$V_{tr} = \frac{1}{3} \left[ \sum_{f=1}^6 \int_{tr} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{n}\rho) \cdot d\mathbf{S}_f(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{p=1}^{P-1} \int_{tr} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{n}\rho) \cdot d\mathbf{S}_p(\mathbf{x}) \right]$$

- Contribution of planar face expressed in terms of line integrals over the bounding contours (extracted from integrable regions and plane-plane intersections)

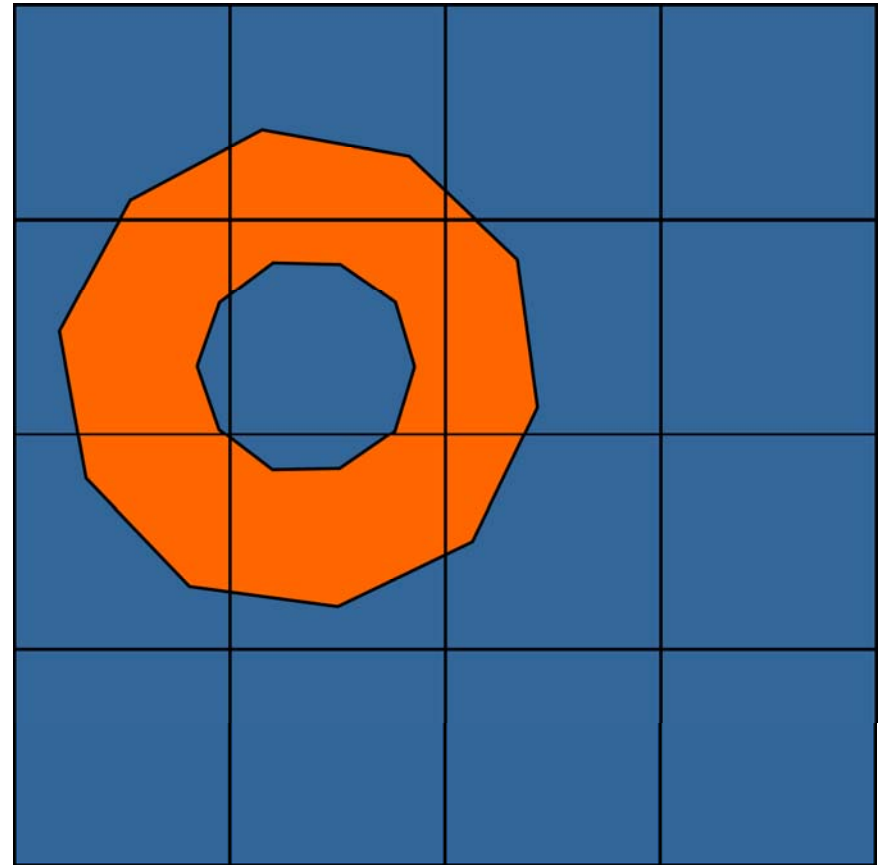
$$\begin{aligned} 3V_p &= \int_{tr} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{n}\rho) \cdot d\mathbf{S}_p(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\rho' - \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n}' \rho) \sum_{j=1}^{contours} \int_{tr_j} \left( x'_j(\alpha) \frac{dy'_j(\alpha)}{d\alpha} - y'_j(\alpha) \frac{dx'_j(\alpha)}{d\alpha} \right) d\alpha \\ &= (\rho' - \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n}' \rho) A_p \end{aligned}$$

- Complete equation for non-onionskin topologies

$$V_{tr} = \frac{1}{3} \left[ \sum_{f=1}^6 \left\{ (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{n}\rho) \cdot \left( X_1 \sum_{i=1}^{IR_f} K_{00,i} + (X_3 - X_4) \sum_{i=1}^{IR_f} K_{10,i} + (X_4 - X_1) \sum_{i=1}^{IR_f} K_{01,i} \right) - v_{tet} \sum_{i=1}^{IR_f} K_{11,i} \right\} + \sum_{p=1}^{P-1} \left\{ (\rho'_p - \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n}'_p \rho) A_i \right\} \right]$$

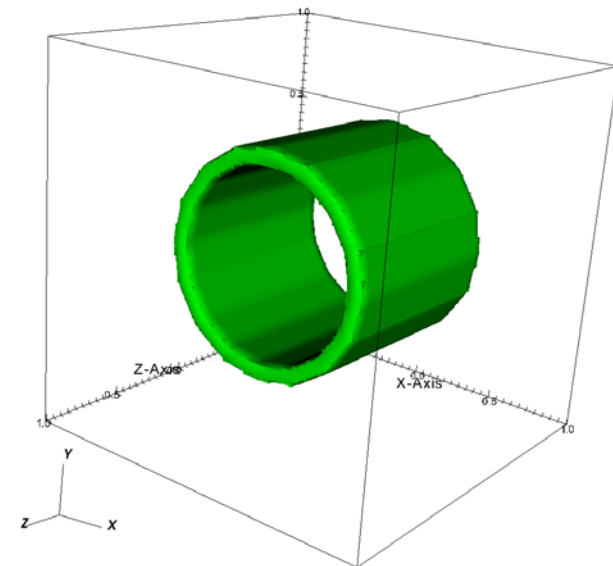
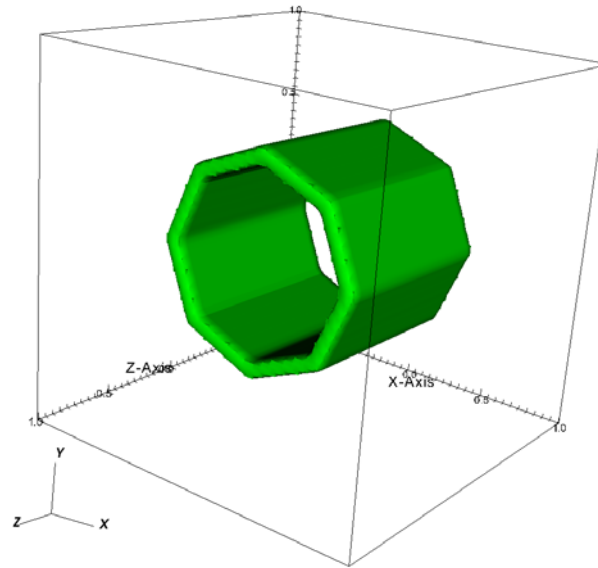
# Interface reconstruction may also be used for shaping geometries: 2D Polygons

- In 2D shaping involves overlaying polygons on the mesh and evaluating the partial volumes
- Hollow geometries formed by shaping in with background material (air or void)

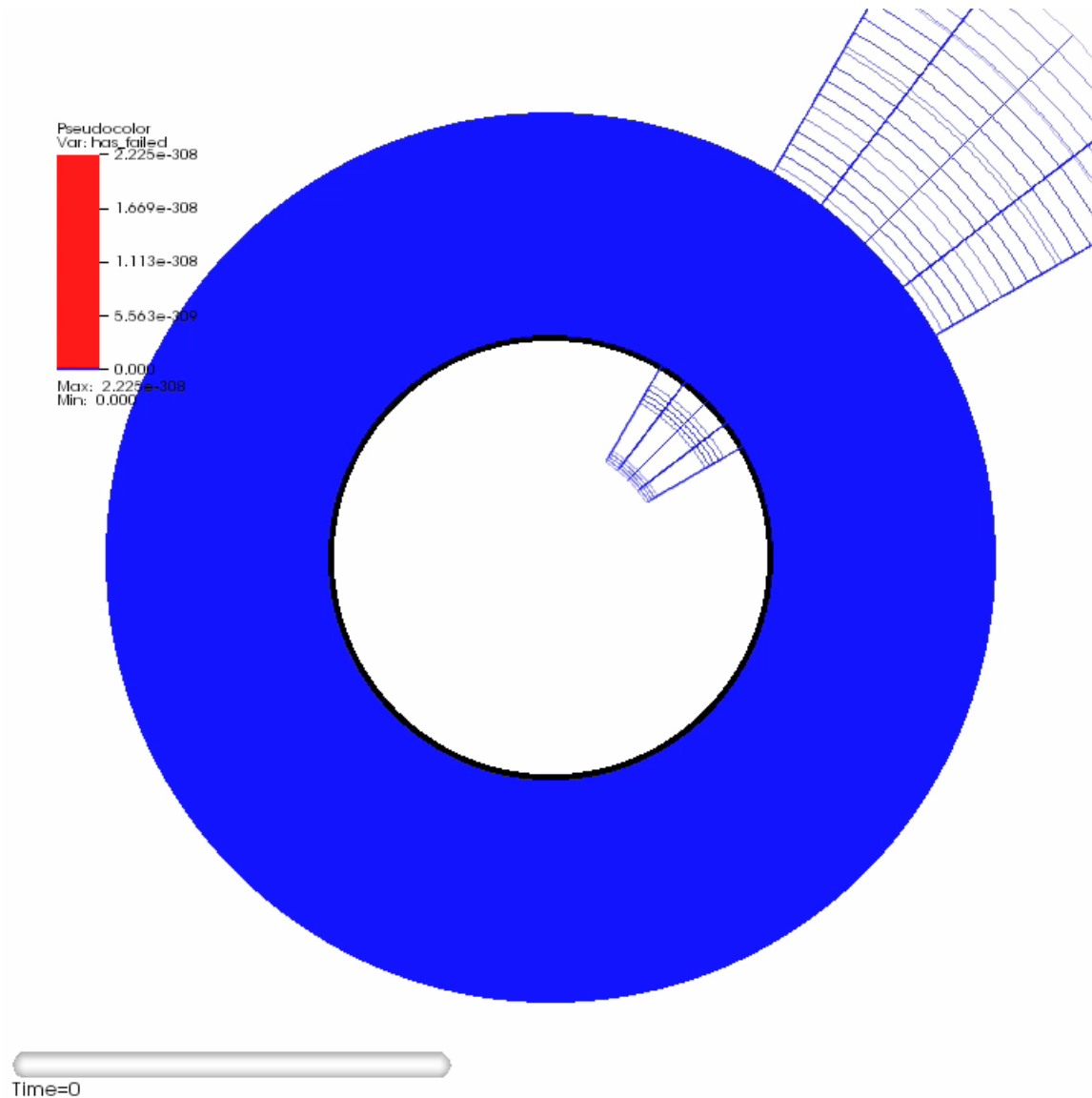


# Shaping in 3D uses faceted surfaces

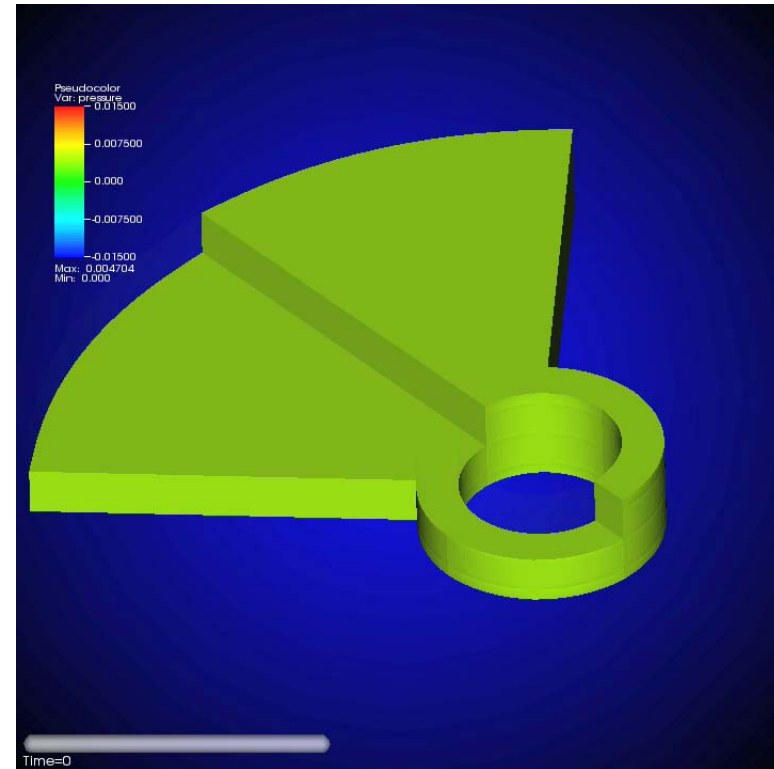
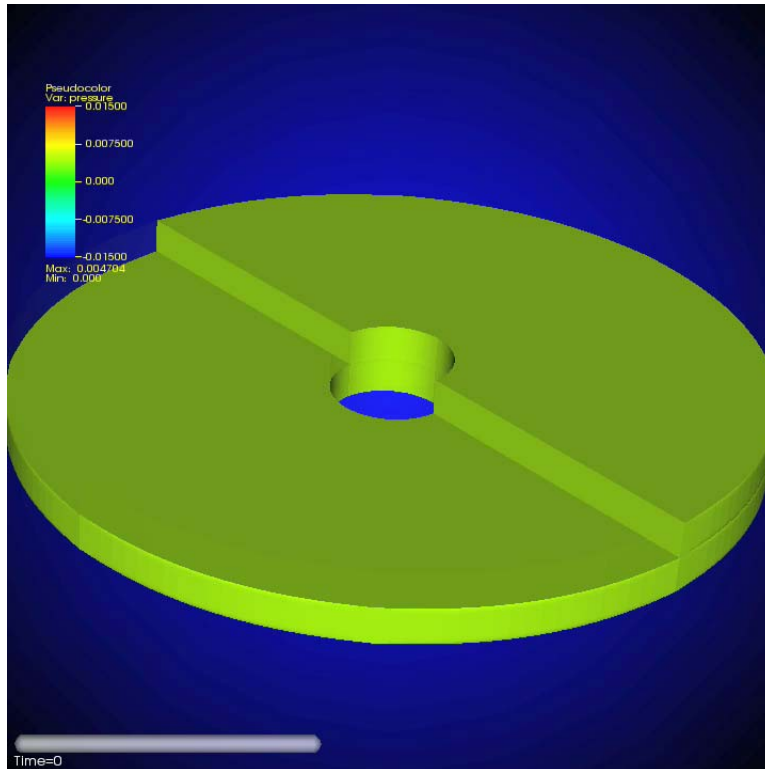
- Currently we have surfaces of revolution, but extrusions would be easy
- Current system uses minimum partial volume (Onionskin) Interface Reconstruction model
- Non-onionskin model is almost ready to take over shaping
- Shaping may also be used to set densities and internal energies within the same material



# Aluminum cooling ring loaded with a radial impulse demonstrates fragment formation

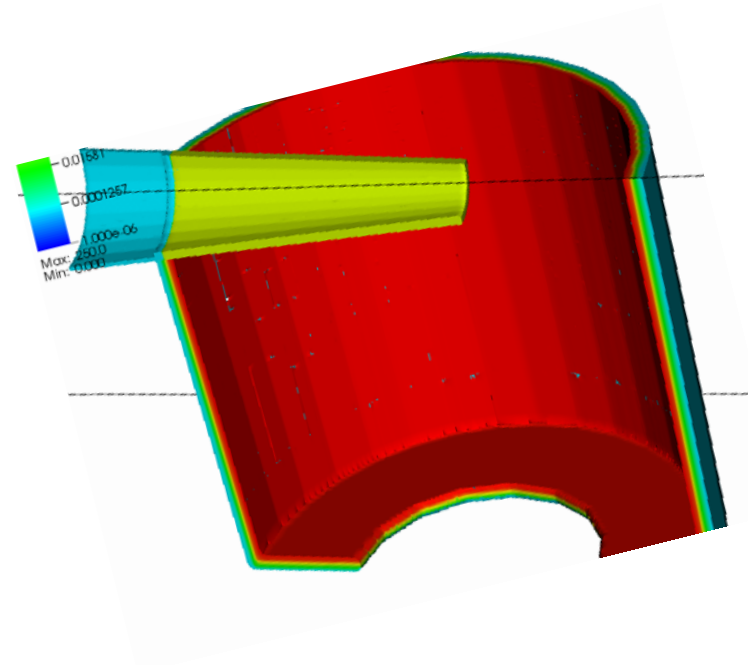
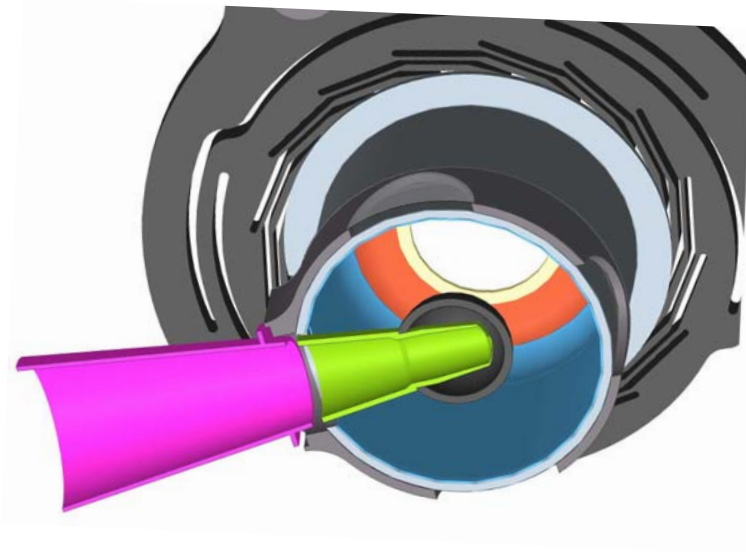


# Copper cooling ring simulations predict notched ring may generate larger fragments



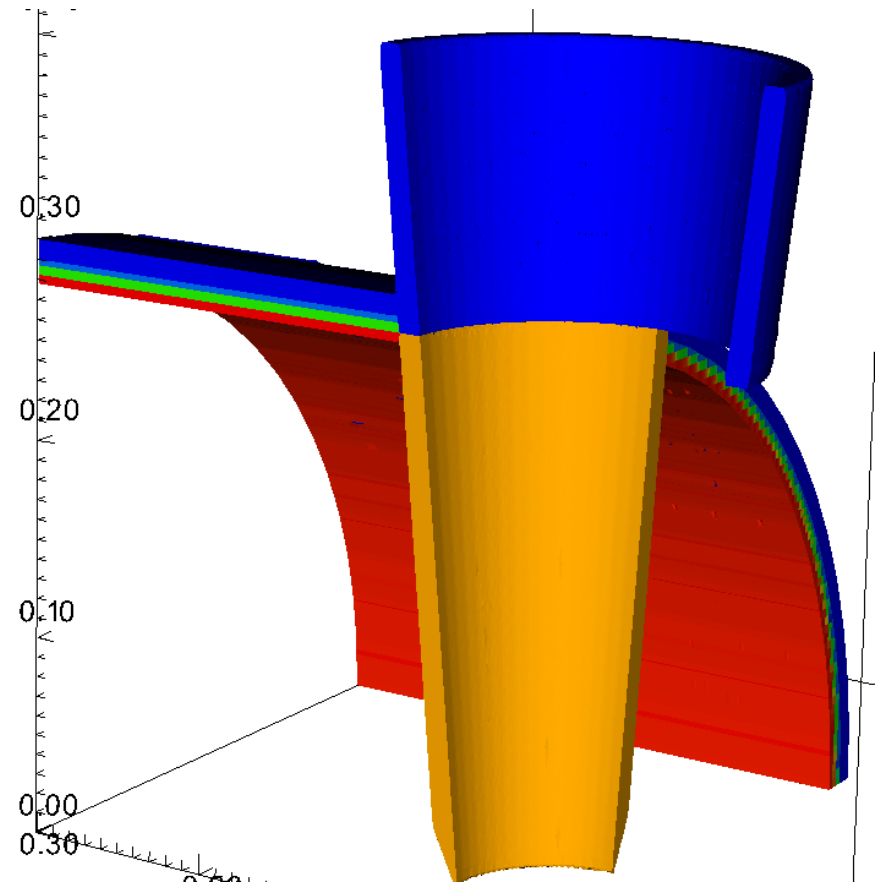
# The keyhole diagnostic target allows VISAR access to the interior of the capsule

- Engineering drawing
- NIF ALE-AMR simulation geometry in a non-uniform Cartesian mesh

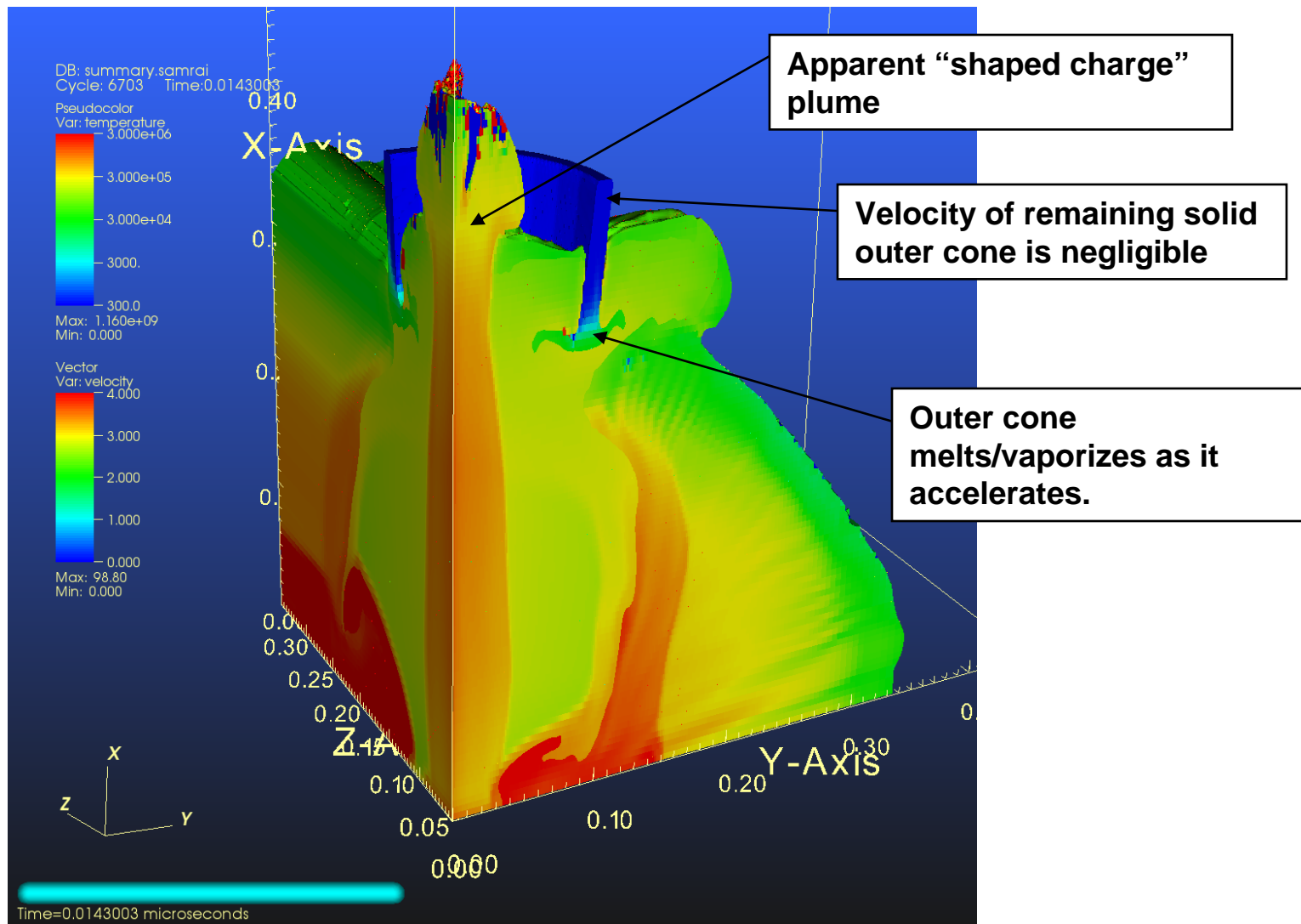


# Surfaces of revolution used to shape geometry and initial conditions extracted from other simulations

- Hohlraum (Modeled as Al)
  - Diameter 0.6 cm
  - Thickness 0.022 cm
- Energy Deposition
  - $e=2.5e2$  Mbar-cc/g,  $\rho=0.001$  g/cc to depth of 0.004 cm
  - $e=7.5e-1$  Mbar-cc/g,  $\rho=5.0$  g/cc to depth of 0.008 cm
  - $e=1.5e-2$  Mbar-cc/g,  $\rho=3.5$  g/cc to depth of 0.012 cm
  - $e=8.39e-5$  Mbar-cc/g,  $\rho=2.7$  g/cc remaining thickness
- Inner Cone
  - $2.5e1$   $\rho=2.7$  g/cc 0.02 cm thick
- Outer Cone
  - $8.39e-5$   $D=2.7$ g/cc 0.02 cm thick (alternate design steps down to 0.01 cm)



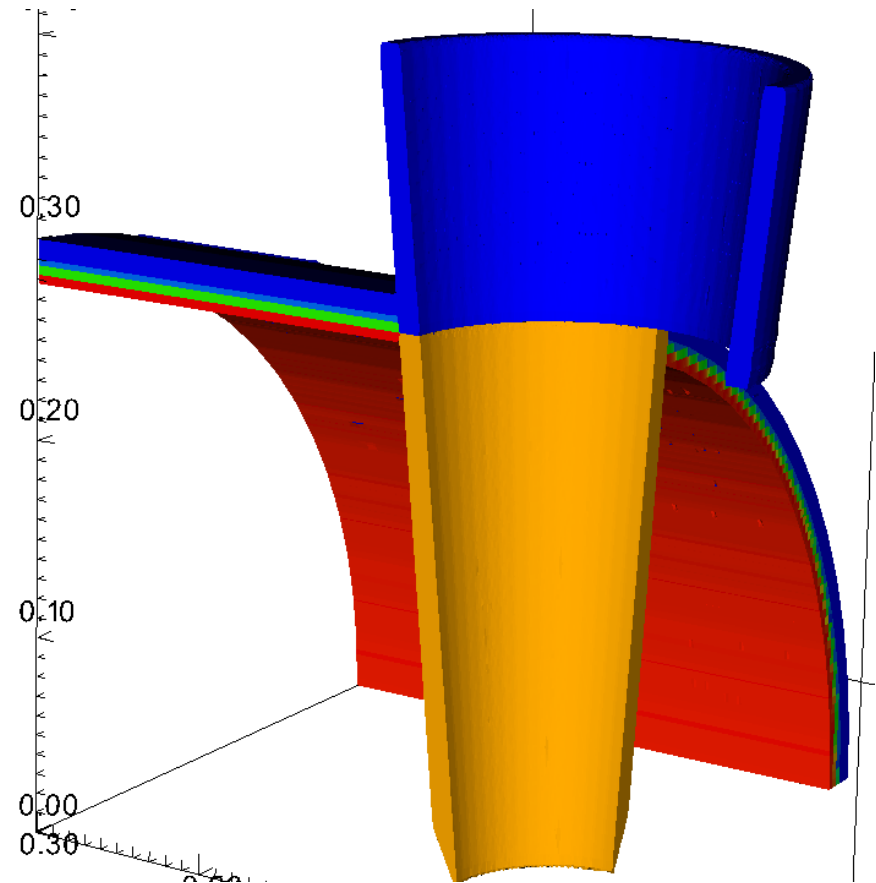
# Velocity of outer cone is small (good) but shape charge plume from inner cone material warrants further study





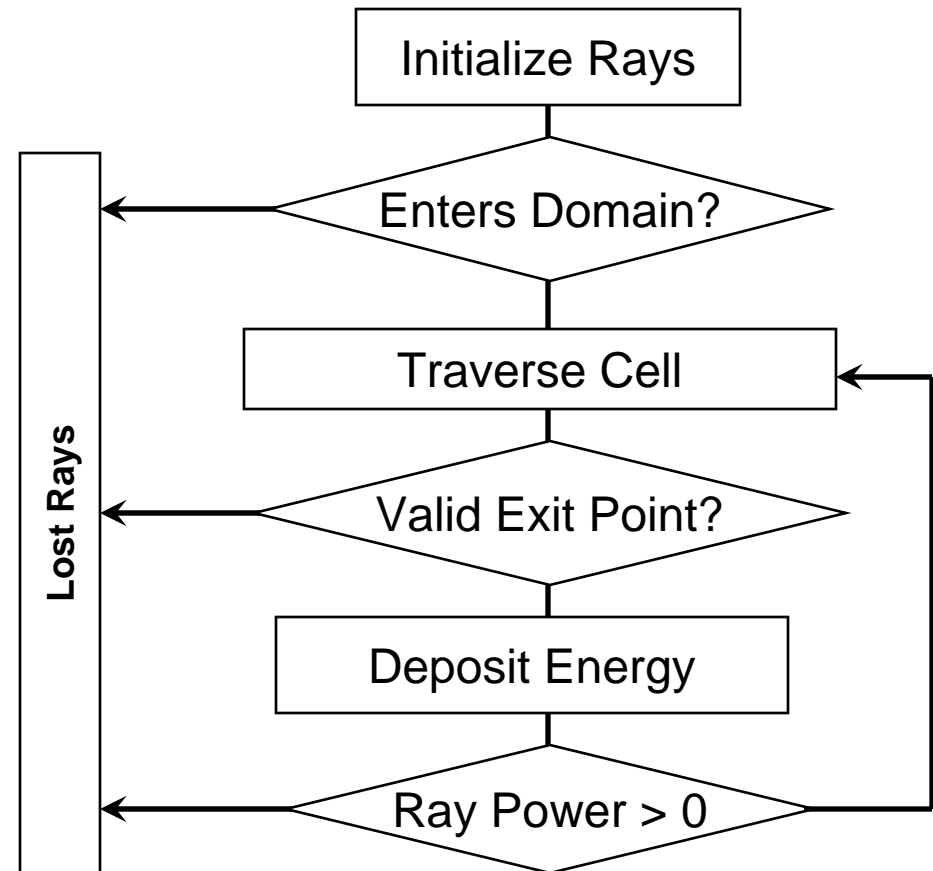
# Keyhole simulation has driven a number of important developments:

- Surfaces of Revolution
- Reworked internal storage for mixed quantities for more efficient insertion of data
- Introduced Melt to remove unnecessary data associated with strength
  - Saves 20 floating point values per melted region
  - Retains EOS
  - Ability to visualize solid/liquid and solid-vapor interfaces
- Reworked Repair
- Application of floors and ceilings to velocities, density, and internal energy
- Added ability to plot mixed state variables for improved visualization
  - States of mixed components may be inspected

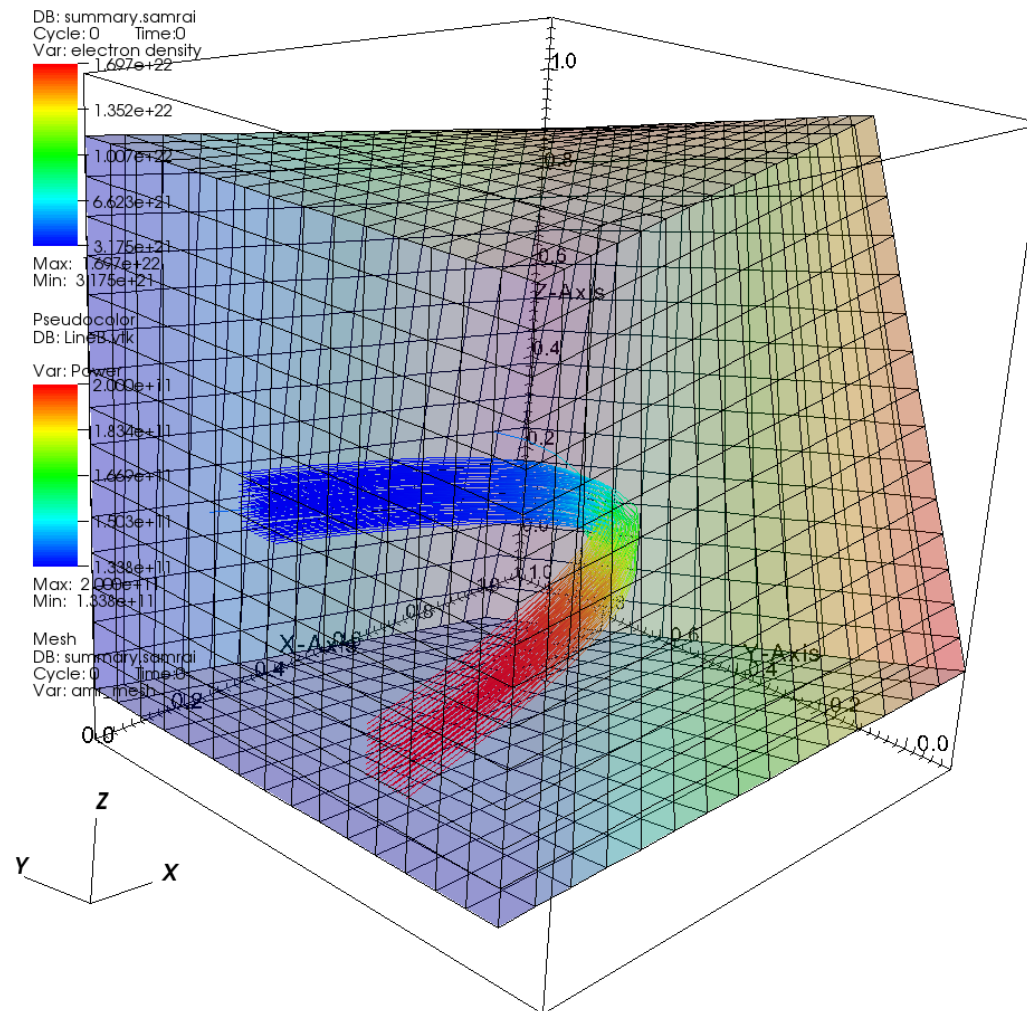


# Laser raytracing is currently being added to NIF ALE-AMR

- Follow each ray through the domain
- Trajectories are, in general, quadratic due to electron density gradients
- Cell faces are DRS, intersections between the ray and surfaces involve the solution of quartic equation
- Energy Deposition is a function of ray power, electron temperature and density, and charge state
- Energy can be deposited directly or used as a source term

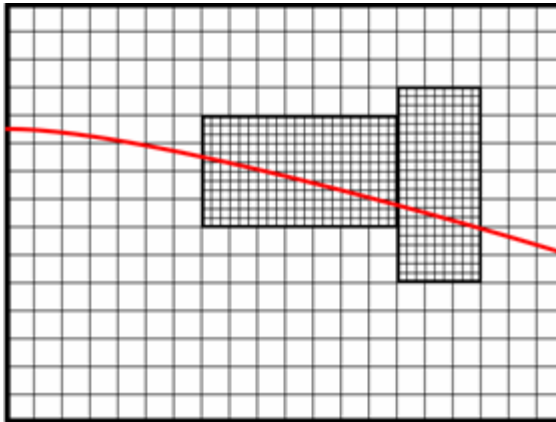


# Right now we can trace rays through a single patch and collect the energy they deposit

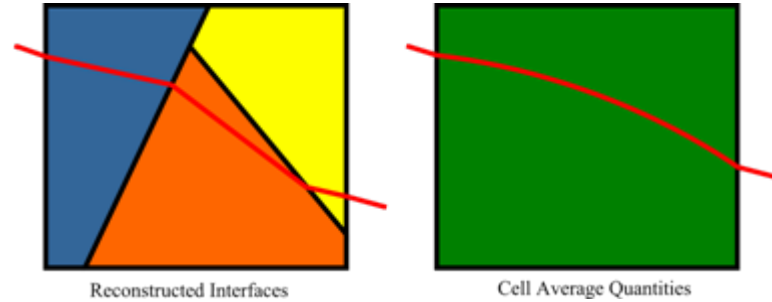


- Preliminary laser raytracing test of 100 rays with a deformed mesh (single patch) and large electron density gradient

## Next steps for raytrace are AMR, parallel implementation, and use of interface reconstruction



- Rays crossing patch boundaries, including refinement/coarsening boundaries, will need to be redistributed appropriately
  - Start processing with batches of rays. As these progress start subsequent batches
  - Asynchronous communication between processors to pass rays between patches/levels



- Interface reconstruction will be used to more accurately model laser in mixed zones
  - Rays will refract at the interfaces between constant valued component regions in mixed zones
  - Energy can be deposited in the separate component regions for accurate partitioning of laser energy

# Summary

- A complex 2D, 3D interface reconstruction scheme is implemented in NIF ALE-AMR
  - Shape function allows for non-conformal geometries
  - Final work on a few special cases is in progress
  - Application to mesh refinement step is being finalized
  - An efficient numerical implementation requires caching data
- Material interface reconstruction scheme plays a key role in target evaluations
  - Cooling ring simulations
  - Keyhole target
- Laser raytrace model in progress will allow for better energy deposition models
  - Single patch version is functional
  - Requires different parallelization model than main AMR scheme
  - Raytrace through AMR grid patches is in progress